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SUBJ: INNER-GERMAN TRANSIT NEGOTIATIONS

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1. WE AGREE THAT WE CAN PROBABLY LIVE WITH THE ARRANGEMENTS FORESEEN IN REFERENCED DOCUMENTS. IT MUST BE REALIZED, HOWEVER, THAT STATEMENTS 3 THROUGH 6 POTENTIALLY REPRESENT A SUBSTANTIAL DEPARTURE FROM OUR LONG-STANDING DOCTRINAL POSITION THAT THE REICHSBAHN AND NOT THE GDR IS RESPONSIBLE FOR RAIL OPERATIONS AND FACILITIES IN THE WESTERN SECTORS. THE AGREEMENTS ON THE STAAKEN, WANNSEE, CHARLOTTENBURG AND SPANDAU STOPS, CALL FOR GDR "IMPROVEMENTS" ON THE STATIONS. WE MAY THUS BE FACED WITH MAJOR CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS BEING CARRIED OUT BY GDR GOVERNMENT MINISTRIES IN WEST BERLIN.

2. THUS, A NEURALGIC POINT WILL BE MODALITIES OF GDR CONTRUCTION WORK ON WEST BERLIN STATIONS (3-6).

3. ALLIES WILL UNDOUBTEDLY HAVE TO ISSUE BK/O DEFINING CONDITIONS FOR THIS WORK. FRG SHOULD BE AWARE THAT POSSIBLE STRINGENCIES OF SUCH A BK/O MIGHT AFFECT
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THE PRACTICAL IMPLEMENTATION OF THIS WORK.

4. AMBASSADORS MAY WISH TO ALERT FRG TO THIS POSSIBILITY
AT TIME OF CONVEYING OUR AGREEMENT TO OVERALL PACKAGE.

5. UK MISSION IN MAKING SIMILAR RECOMMENDATION TO UK
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